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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

For years, the telecommunications industry has been dominated by a select group of incredibly large players who have been free to do whatever they want to consumers. In my experience, the result of this has been abysmal customer service and rampant price gouging. As soon as I found out it was possible, I began subscribing to a small local ISP that is investing in fiber infrastructure in my community. My neighbors and I feel incredibly fortunate to have the opportunity to choose between a telecom giant that overcharges and under-provides, and a local provider that provides better bandwidth and service at a (much) lower price point. I humbly urge you not to take that choice away.

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